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An Act to amend the Workmen's Compensation Act 1977¹.

Enacted by the Parliament of Lesotho.

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Workmen's Compensation (Amendment) Act 1993.

Interpretation

2. Section 3 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting the following definition in the appropriate alphabetical order:

"'Minister' means the Minister for Labour and Employment;"

Compensation in fatal cases

3. Section 6 of the Principal Act is amended -

- (a) in paragraph (a) by omitting "shall be a sum equal to forty eight months' earnings or twelve thousand rand whichever is less" and substituting "shall be the lesser of an amount prescribed by the Minister or a sum equal to forty eight months' earnings";
- (b) in paragraph (c) by omitting "of one hundred and fifty rand" and substituting "prescribed by the Minister".

Compensation in case of permanent total incapacity

4. Section 7 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting "shall be a sum equal to fifty-four months' earnings'" and the proviso and substituting "shall be the lesser of an amount prescribed by the Minister or a sum equal to fifty four months' earnings."

Medical expenses

5. Section 33 of the Principal Act is amended -
- (a) in subsection (1) by omitting from paragraph (a) "one thousand rand" and substituting "an amount prescribed by the Minister";
 - (b) in subsection (1) by omitting from paragraph (b) "seven hundred rand" and substituting "an amount prescribed by the Minister";
 - (c) in subsection (1) by omitting from paragraph (c) "the sum of two hundred and fifty rand" and substituting "an amount prescribed by the Minister"; and

- (d) by inserting after subsection (3) the following subsection:

"(4) Before prescribing an amount for the purposes of paragraph (1)(a), (b) or (c) the Minister must consult with the Minister responsible for health and social welfare."

NOTES

The explanatory memorandum to the Workmen's Compensation (Amendment) Bill 1993 that was introduced into the National Assembly on 20th September 1993 is published as Government Notice No. 75 of 1993.

1. Act NO. 13 of 1977